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SUBJ: INCIDENT ON MAY 14 AT YUGOSLAV MISSION

REF: USUN 1628; BELGRADE 2676

1. AMBASSADOR BENNETT WILL DELIVER NOTE VERBALE TO YUGOSLAV MISSION CONCERNING MAY 14 INCIDENT AT YUGOSLAV MISSION. TEXT OF NOTE IS AS FOLLOWS:

"A REPORT HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT OF CITY OF NEW YORK CONCERNING INCIDENT. REPORT INDICATES THAT TWO POLICE OFFICERS WERE SUMMONED TO YUGOSLAV MISSION BY A MEMBER OF THAT MISSION AND FOUND TWO MEN OUTSIDE DOOR. A MEMBER OF YUGOSLAV MISSION TOLD POLICE OFFICERS THAT THESE TWO WANTED TO ENTER MISSION BUT WERE NOT WELCOME TO DO SO. POLICE OFFICERS INFORMED TWO INDIVIDUALS THAT SINCE THEY WERE NOT WELCOME THEY WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE. TWO INDIVIDUALS LEFT WITHOUT FUSS OR PROTEST. NO MENTION WAS MADE OF A GUN, AND POLICE OFFICERS STATE THEY WERE NOT INFORMED OF ANY SCUFFLING THAT MIGHT HAVE TAKEN PLACE BEFORE THEY WERE SUMMONED TO YUGOSLAV MISSION."

"POLICE OFFICERS STATE THAT ABOUT FIVE TO SEVEN MINUTES AFTER THE VISITORS HAD GONE, THEY WERE AGAIN SUMMONED

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TO YUGOSLAV MISSION BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO INFORMED THEM THAT HE THOUGHT ONE OF THE VISITORS HAD BEEN WEARING

A GUN. POLICE OFFICERS ASKED WHY NO MENTION HAD BEEN MADE OF GUN EARLIER AND MEMBER OF YUGOSLAV MISSION REPLIED THAT HE WAS NOT AWARE OF FACT UNTIL HE WAS TOLD SO BY HIS SECURITY GUARD AFTER VISITORS HAD DEPARTED."

"USUN HAS TAKEN NOTE OF COMPLAINTS MADE BY YUGOSLAV MISSION WITH REGARD TO SECURITY OF YUGOSLAV MISSION. IN THIS CONNECTION, USUN ASSURES YUGOSLAV MISSION THAT US GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE AWARE OF MISSION'S CONCERN AND WILL TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO DISCHARGE THEIR SECURITY RESPONSIBILITIES AS HOST COUNTRY AND HOST CITY TOWARDS YUGOSLAV MISSION."

2. WE CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT SECURITY OF ALL MISSIONS TO UN AND PROTECTION OF MISSION PERSONNEL. NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT GIVES 24-HOUR POLICE PROTECTION TO YUGOSLAV MISSION. AT LEAST ONE POLICE OFFICER IS CONTINUOUSLY ASSIGNED AT A COMBINED YUGOSLAV/CUBAN FIXED POST. IN CONVERSATION TODAY WITH POLICE OFFICER IN CHARGE 19TH PRECINCT NYPD, VIEW WAS EXPRESSED THAT YUGOSLAVS SHOULD BE CHASTISED FOR NOT GIVING FULL FACTS TO POLICE IMMEDIATELY SO PROPER POLICE ACTION COULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

3. WE HOPE EMBASSY WILL POINT OUT TO STARCEVIC THAT 19TH PRECINCT OF NYPD HAS HAD LONG AND DISTINGUISHED EXPERIENCE IN DEALING WITH DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY. POLICE OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO PRECINCT ARE EXPERIENCED MEMBERS OF NEW YORK POLICE FORCE AND ARE FULLY AWARE OF YUGOSLAV PROBLEMS IN NEW YORK COMMUNITY.

4. SINCE WE OBTAINED FULL ORAL REPORT FROM NYPD ON INCIDENT, WE DO NOT INTEND REQUEST WRITTEN REPORT.
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